

REMARKS

Claims 1, 3-4, 8, 11, 13-15, 19, 22-23, 26-28 are pending in the present application, claims 2, 5-7, 9-10, 12, 16-18, 20-21, 24-25 and 29-35 have been cancelled herein without prejudice or disclaimer. The Office Action and cited references have been considered. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Claims 29, 34 and 35 were rejected under U.S. C §112, second paragraph. Additionally, claims 34-35 were rejected under U.S. C §101. These claims have been cancelled, thus rendering these rejections moot. Withdrawal thereof is respectfully requested.

Applicant notes with appreciation the indication that claims 12, 14 and 15 were allowable if rewritten in independent form, and claims 22-23 and 26-27 are allowable. Applicant has amended claim 1 to include the recitation of claim 12, and has placed claims 14 and 15 in independent form. Additionally, the other non-allowed claims have been cancelled, without prejudice or disclaimer to refile the claims in a continuation application. In view of these amendments, the various rejections of the claims over the prior art are believed to be moot and withdrawal thereof is respectfully requested.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration withdrawal of the outstanding rejections of record. Applicant submits that the application is in condition for allowance and early notice to this effect is most earnestly solicited.

If the Examiner has any questions, he is invited to contact the undersigned at 202-628-5197.

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